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SUBJ: PROJECTED TANSIT BY USS FURER OF ALAND STRAITS

DEPARTMENT PASS DOD/ISA

REF: STOCKHOLM 3014

1. ALUSNA DISCUSSED ALAND STRAITS REGIME TODAY WITH REAR ADMIRAL DAG ARVAS, CHIEF OF DEFENSE DEPARTMENT, FOREIGN LIAISON OFFICE, AND ADJUTANT TO THE MINISTER OF DEFENSE. HE SAID TRANSIT WITHOUT DIPLOMATIC NOTIFICATION WOULD BE CONSIDERED VIOLATION OF SWEDISH LAW AND WOULD PRODUCE FORMAL DIPLOMATIC PROTEST TO THE USG.

2. ARVAS REFERRED TO THE SWEDISH VD OF STATUTES 1966:366 TITLED "GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR NAVAL VESSELS AND MILITARY AIR-CRAFT BELONGING TO FOREIGN POWERS". THIS STATES THAT NAVAL VESSELS BELONGING TO FOREIGN POWERS HAVE THE RIGHT TO ENTER TERRITORIAL WATERS FOR PURPOSES OF PASSAGE, FOLLOWING DIPLOMATIC NOTIFICATION. NO DIPLOMATIC NOTIFICATION IS REQUIRED, HOWEVER, FOR PASSAGE THROUGH TERRITORIAL WATERS IN THE ORESUND BETWEEN THE LINES KULLEN-GILBJERHOVED AND FALSTERBOUDDE-STEVNS LIGHT.

3. FOR ENTRY INTO SWEDISH TERRITORIAL WATERS FOR (ALIEN) NAVAL VESSELS OTHER THAN AS PRESCRIBED ABOVE, AUTHORIZATION IS REQUIRED. AUTHORIZATION IS NOT REQUIRED, HOWEVER, FOR NAVAL VESSELS IN DISTRESS OR INVOLVED IN AN OFFICIAL VISIT BY A FOREIGN HEAD OF STATE.

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4. ARVAS PRODUCED A COPY OF SWEDISH CODE OF STATUTES NUMBER
374 WHICH DEFINES SWEDEN'S TERRITORIAL WATERS AS INCLUDING
SODRA KVARKEN. SWEDISH SEA CHART NO. 539, PRODUCED BY ROYAL
SEA CHART SERVICE SHOWS SWEDISH TERRITORIAL WATER BOUNDARIES
WITH DOTTED LINE AND INCLUDES THIS STRAIT.
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